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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Contracting Information Letter (CIL) 99-46,  
Implementing Department of Defense Joint Technical Architecture.

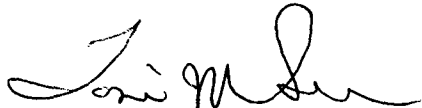
1. The Department of Defense has a major initiative underway to build a Global Networked Information Enterprise (GNIE) based on efficient and effective DoD information architectures and procedures. The GNIE will provide the "information fabric" that should bring the DoD enterprise and information superiority to reality enabling the operations concepts of Joint Vision 2010. The GNIE provides policies, plans, and programs to structure the future DoD computing resources to achieve the reality of information superiority. The technologies include Client/Server, Distributed Computer, Information Assurance, Public Key Infrastructure, Web-enabled Services, and Quality of Services. The DOD is striving to establish a foundation for the Joint Technical Architecture (JTA), Defense Information Infrastructure, Common Operating Environment, system architectures, and operation architectures that will help enable the development of a knowledge-based workforce.

2. We are providing SAIS-ADM Memorandum, Subj: Implementing the Department of Defense (DOD) Joint Technical Architecture, 26 Jul 99 for informational purposes (encl 1). In Sep 98, SARDA had issued the tasker referenced in this memorandum. We coordinated the results of our datacall with DCSC4 at that time. We currently believe all FORSCOM RFPs and BAAs for information technology are in compliance. Effective immediately, insert the language contained in enclosure 2 for all IT RFPs and BAA.

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3. For additional information, please contact Irene Hamm  
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1. The purpose of this memorandum is to reemphasize the process and procedures for implementing the Joint Technical Architecture-Army (JTA-A). Both the JTA-A and its predecessor the Army Technical Architecture (ATA) have been in place for over four years. JTA-A Version 5.5 went into effect at the beginning of March 1999. DACS-ZB message, dated May 29, 1996, titled, *Army Technical Architecture Implementation* establishes the Chief of Staff's "Mark on the Wall" that identifies timelines for meeting JTA-A critical interoperability standards.
2. Request all fiscal year 1998 information technology (IT) Requests for Proposal (RFPs) and Broad Agency Announcements (BAAs) be reviewed for JTA-A compliance language to ensure that this policy is being followed. We want to ensure that this check of all IT RFPs and BAAs is institutionalized within the contracting process now and in the future. Compliance language is outlined in the DAMO-ADO memorandum dated September 23, 1998, titled, *Joint Technical Architecture-Army Compliance Wording for all Request for Proposals*. Any RFP or BAA lacking the appropriate language will be identified along with the name and phone number of a point of contact for the contract. Additionally, those found deficient, and not eligible for a waiver, will have to provide a JTA-A migration plan in accordance with DAMO-ADO, memorandum dated March 26, 1998, titled, *Revised Joint Technical Architecture-Army (JTA-A) Migration Planning Guidance and Procedures*. All DAMO-ADO documents can be found at <http://www.ado.army.mil/>.
3. Report the results of the review to Mr. Don Routten no later than September 1, 1999.
4. Address questions to Mr. Don Routten, DSN 224-0514, Comm. (703)614-0514, [routtdw@hqda.army.mil](mailto:routtdw@hqda.army.mil) or Ms. Jean Gilleo, DSN 227-4189, Comm. (703)697-4189, [gilleej@hqda.army.mil](mailto:gilleej@hqda.army.mil) and other JTA-A technical questions to Mr. Ray Herrick, DSN 987-3309, Comm. (732) 427-3309, [herrick@mail1.monmouth.army.mil](mailto:herrick@mail1.monmouth.army.mil)

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## Joint Technical Architecture-Army RFP Mandates

The following guidance is provided for implementation of the Joint Technical Architecture-Army in all Army system acquisitions:

a. The following wording at a minimum will be included in the System Requirements/System Specification section of all Army contract actions:

“The system design approach shall comply with the applicable portions of the Joint Technical Architecture-Army. Any proposed technical designs that deviate from the standards and practices delineated in the Joint Technical Architecture-Army, either during the evaluation and/or subsequent execution of this contract, shall be approved by the Army Digitization Office (ADO), through the Program Manager, prior to implementation. The Joint Technical Architecture-Army document is located on the World Wide Web at URL: <http://www.hqda.army.mil/webs/techarch/>.”

b. The following wording will be included in Section L - Proposal Submission:

### System Design Section - Technical Volume

“The offeror shall provide a written discussion of the extent to which his proposal complies with the applicable sections of the Joint Technical Architecture-Army.”

### Software Development/Design Section - Technical Volume

“The offeror shall describe how the proposed software design approach and software development environment are compliant with the applicable portions of the Army Technical Architecture-Army.”

c. Section M - Evaluation Approach

The use of Understanding of Requirements and Completeness as elements of the Technical Evaluation Approach will ensure that compliance with the Joint Technical Architecture-Army as required in the system requirements section is evaluated as a critical element.

Note: The applicable documents section of the RFP should list the specific version number of the Joint Technical Architecture-Army document, and the date of that version.